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Applicant : Matthew C. Coffey, et al. Art Unit : 1648
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NEOPLASTIC CELLS WITH A VIRUS

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicants do not concede that the cited portions of the art of record teach that combination therapy of an oncolytic virus with a chemotherapeutic agent produces a better anti-tumor effect as compared to use of either of them alone. However, Applicants do agree that the cited portions of the art of record do not disclose use of oncolytic viruses in combination with a chemotherapeutic agent to treat neoplasm comprising one or more cells refractory to a chemotherapeutic agent.

Applicants also note that the claims in the present application were amended to facilitate prosecution rather than to overcome any of the Examiner's rejections.

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